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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 15, 18, 19, & 32.

Part B for March.

FILE No. 101 of 1905-06.

Seasonal prospects in the Tumkur District.

1	To the Deputy Commissioners of Districts, D. O. No. 589—596, dated 27th December 1905. Requests them to report upon the seasonal prospects of their districts and submit such reports every ten days in future.
2	From the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, D. O. dated 8th January 1906. Reports upon the seasonal prospects of his district, and states that no relief works are necessary till about the middle of February.
3	To the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, D. O. dated 19th January 1906. Informs him that his report is too vague, and requests him to answer a set of specified questions on the seasonal prospects.
4	From the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, dated 25th January 1906. Forwards his answers to some of the questions, and states that the time has not yet arrived for starting relief measures, etc., and that he will submit a further report later on.
5	To the Revenue Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, No. R. 10828-9, dated 19th February 1906. States that the further report will be awaited, and requests him to submit definite proposals, *re* suspension of revenue and expansion of public works.
18	From the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, No. 779, dated 8th March 1906. Forwards his answers to the rest of the questions put to him in Serial No. 3, and states that he will submit a comprehensive report *re* relief measures.
19	From the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, letter No. 792, dated the 15th March 1906. Submits comprehensive proposals regarding suspension of revenue and expansion of public works likely to be necessary in the Tumkur District as called for in G. O. No. 10828-9—Agri. 101-05-5, dated the 19th February 1906, and recommends a remission of half the assessment on tank bed rice lands on which no wet crops were raised or what were raised were below four-anna value.
32	To the Revenue Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, G. O. No. R. 14084-5, dated 1st May 1906. Sanctions the remission of half the assessment for 1905-06 on such lands classed as rice under tanks as, owing to the absence or failure of water-supply in the tanks, either actually lay waste during both the seasons (Kartika and Vaisakha) of the year or yielded a crop of 4 annas and under in either of those seasons; and as regards dry lands, directs that the collection of khists in tracts to be specified by the Deputy Commissioner, by a notification in the *Mysore Gazette*, may be made in four or six instalments according to the requirements of each tract, beginning from 1st May 1906.

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Season prospects of the Temiskaming District

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NOTES AND ORDERS.

NOTES—First sheet.

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Submitted to His Highness.

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The report of the Deputy Commissioner of Tumkur on the condition of men and cattle in the district is herewith submitted.

2. The report is too brief and general to convey a precise idea of the existing conditions and the probable prospects. The Deputy Commissioner will again be asked to submit an exhaustive account of the condition of men and cattle in his district.

3. The application made for takkavi advances will be dealt with in the usual course.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

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DATE 16.1.06
NO. 534

Subject.

Present season prospects and the condition of men and cattle in the Tumkur District.

Order.

~~K.R.W~~
17/1/06

18.1.06

Submitted to His Highness

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In my submission note of the 15th January last the excessive brevity of the Tumkur Deputy Commissioner's report on the condition of men and cattle in his District was pointed out.

2. He was subsequently supplied with a memo of questions on the subject, to which he has submitted answers.

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3. The rain-fall of 1905 has been much less than the decennial average with the result that the supply of water in the tanks is very limited. The situation greatly depends upon the next Hungar rains.

4. The Deputy Commissioner does not consider any test works to be necessary; but he believes that suspension of revenue and expansion of public works would, in addition to certain minor reliefs, be necessary. He will be called upon to submit his detailed proposals as early as practicable.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

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Further note on the present season propects in the Tumkur District..

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5.	To the Rev. Comr & Dy. Comr Jumkurdt No R 10828-9 dy 19/2/06 - Requests the Dy. Comr to submit comprehensive proposals for the suspension of Rev & expansion of public works which in his opinion are likely to be necessary.
18	From the Dy. Comr, Jumkur Dt No 779 dy 8/3/06. Forwards statement containing information to queries put to him in St No 3 & states that he will submit a comprehensive report re the relief measures that have to be adopted in his district. In this office D.O. dated the 19th Jany 1906, the Deputy Comr was asked to answer a set of questions on the seasonal prospects of his District and submit a report dealing with

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all those questions. On the 25th Jany last he submitted his answers to some of the queries, and added that he would send his replies to the other queries in due course.

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Again in G.O. No. R 1028-9 of 19/2/06, he was requested to submit definite & comprehensive proposals re suspension of revenue & expansion of public works in his Dt. The Revenue Comr was in this office No. A 6/3/06 requested to confer with the Dy. Comr, and propose what relief measures are necessary for the Tumkur Dt.

The Deputy Comr now forwards his replies to the other queries, and states that he will submit the comprehensive report called for re the relief-measures that are to be adopted, by the middle of this month.

May his further report be awaited?

DS 13/3 Submd to Govt. The Assistt reports further information as to the mortality of cattle which has everywhere been less than that of last year except at Tiptur & the area under cultivation together with the

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probable outturn of crops & the supply of water in the principal tanks. The statistics furnished show merely that there has been more a less failure of crops but not such as to cause any have apprehensions

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This is in reply to the order passed in D.P.C by the Undersecy. It will therefore be sent to him

14.3.1906

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The Diwan has seen this file.

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Mr

19 From the Deputy Collr, Dumka No. Letter No. 792 dated 15-3-06 -

Paper under disposal

Submits comprehensive proposals regarding Suspension of Revenue and expansion of public works and recommends a remission of half the assessment on tank-fed rice lands on which no wet crops were

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raised or what were raised were below four anna value tax-

Attention is respectfully invited to paras. 4, 8, 12, 13 and 14 of the Deputy Commissioner's letter containing his proposals. The Deputy Commissioner states that he has sent a duplicate of this letter to the Revenue Commr. A draft docket calling for the early submission of

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of the same with his opinion is submitted for appl or other orders.

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Passed.

Issued.

Put in bound-this to the Under Secy at once 17.3.1906

11959/20 17.3.06 To Rev. Comsr his 11951/17.3.1906 calling for his opinion

The Diwan desires that the Revenue Commissioner's opinion may be kindly obtained early and the case properly worked up in the Secretariat & submitted thereto.

Dewan 17/3/06

Secy

Pinned to Paper more disposal 17/3/06

From Rev. Comsr Do 11951/17.3.1906 submitting his opinion & submitted to the Dewan 17.3.1906

The Deputy Commissioner's recommendation for remission and suspension is based upon (1) the comparatively poor out-turn of crops of this year and (2) the circumstance that there have been two successive bad years.

The Secretariat will put up a note comparing the position of the District this year with that of last year under the heads - Rainfall, prices and out-turn.

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Also a detailed comparison should be instituted between the position of the Kolar District during the last two years with that of the Tumkur District during the same period principally under the three heads referred to.

To Branch I
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Three statements showing the rainfall, prices and out-turn of the principal crops in the Kolar and Tumkur Dts during 1904 & 1905 are prepared from the figures available in the reports and returns received in this office and submitted. It will be observed that the average rainfall in the Tumkur Dt in 1904 was 20·81 & in 1905, 20·21 inches or practically equal in both the years. In the Taluks of Tumkur, Chik-naikanhalli, Gubbi & Pavagada and the Subdaluk of Koratagere, the rainfall was less in 1905, than it was in 1904. A comparison of the Kolar D figures with those of the Tumkur Dt shows that the average rainfall in the Kolar Dt during both the years

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viz 1904 and 1905 was slightly larger than in the Dumkur Dt, being 22.73 and 23.63 inches respectively.

As regards the prices of food grains, it will be seen that the prices in the Dumkur Dt have risen all round during the year 1905, in some cases more than 50 per cent over the prices of 1904. A comparison of the prices of ragi in the Dumkur and Kolar Dts shows that the rise in the Dumkur Dt during 1905 has been higher than in the Kolar Dt.

The figures in the statement showing out-turn of crops, shows that less than a four-anna crop was realized in the Taluks of Tiptur & Pavagada and the Sub Taluks of Kasaba & Turuvekere with respect to certain of the food grains. As full information as regards actual out-turn of the principal grains in the Dumkur Dt during 1905 is not available, it is not possible to compare the out-turn in 1905 with the figures of last year & with the Kolar Dt out-turn. But a reference to

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the statements of the estimated yield of dry & wet crops, shows that about 30 per cent of the dry lands yielded less than a four-anna crop, while 20 per cent lay banjar, and about 20 per cent of wet lands gave a similar outturn, while 35 per cent lay banjar in 1905.

On the whole therefore, it will be observed that the position in the Dumka Dt was worse at the end of 1905 than it was in 1904 and in comparison with the Kolar Dt, the present situation in the Dumka Dt must be considered to be in no way better.

To meet the apprehended distress caused by the present outlook, the Dy. Comr proposes the following measures:-

(1) Sinking of fresh drinking water wells where none exist and deepening those which are failing. (An application for allotment of funds for this purpose is said to have been made to Govt & the matter is being dealt with in P. No. IV.). That file also is attached to this.

(2) Starting of a few tank work as a relief measure, at a cost of Rs 7 284-8. (This is being

Agam returned to Por IV as per their reqt. on 9/4/06 for dealing further with the subject. P. 1573/ have been kept issued

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separately dealt with. Further information has been called for from the Dy. Supdt. on certain points) that file also is attached to this.

(3) Remission of half the assessment on tank-fed rice & sugar-cane lands on which no wet crops were raised or what were raised were below a four-anna crop. The half-assessment for remission is estimated to come to Rs 88000.

(4) In regard to dry lands, a Suspension of the last two Kists, in some others the last only, as may be desirable in the case of the really poor whose lands were either banjar or yielded less than a 4 anna crop. It is proposed to break up the last two Kists into four or six instalments according to individual needs.

Submitted for orders to Secy

24/3/06

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Submitted to the Diwan Sahib

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Since detailed as further info has been received from the Rev Commissioner. As Rev Comr has not forwarded certain enclos - their return has been called for on 10-4-06

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Comparative Statement Showing the monthly ra
During 19

	Taluks.	1904											
		January	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	
Kolar District	Kolar	0.08	-	-	0.23	5.61	1.00	2.73	1.13	0.76	5.57	-	
	Bowringpet	0.07	-	-	2.37	8.17	1.36	3.52	1.09	3.87	4.78	-	
	Chintamani	1.30	-	-	0.49	3.15	0.23	3.45	0.72	3.88	7.42	-	
	Mulbagal	0.10	-	-	-	6.13	-	6.61	0.97	1.07	6.96	2.75	
	Sidlaghatta	0.31	-	-	1.07	3.49	2.14	5.23	1.43	6.13	4.52	-	
	Chikballapur	0.65	-	-	2.11	3.76	0.62	7.38	3.15	3.42	3.27	-	
	Bagepally	-	-	-	1.25	2.82	1.01	2.36	0.63	2.44	2.18	-	
	Goribidnur	0.04	-	-	1.78	4.59	0.45	4.94	2.02	5.77	2.21	-	
	Malur	-	-	-	2.65	9.12	1.97	2.23	1.02	4.76	10.62	-	
	Srinivaspur	0.23	-	-	0.74	5.08	0.71	4.31	0.93	2.92	5.32	-	
	Gudibanda	0.36	-	-	0.63	3.98	0.71	7.30	2.26	5.37	4.51	-	
	District Average	0.27	-	-	1.21	5.08	0.93	4.55	1.40	3.67	5.22	0.25	
Tumkur District	Tumkur	-	-	-	1.22	7.80	0.90	7.07	1.71	6.05	7.95	-	
	Maddagiri	0.05	-	-	1.80	4.98	0.63	3.85	0.36	1.37	5.40	-	
	Chiknaikanhalli	-	-	0.35	2.62	8.28	0.40	2.80	0.36	2.15	5.11	-	
	Sira	-	-	-	1.32	1.56	0.46	1.87	0.06	3.51	5.11	-	
	Gubbi	-	-	-	1.75	6.40	0.25	2.05	2.85	5.66	3.10	-	
	Tiptur	-	-	0.90	3.35	7.21	2.10	1.19	0.49	1.34	4.06	-	
	Pavagada	-	-	-	1.37	5.40	0.30	3.10	0.55	4.11	4.73	-	
	Kunigal	-	-	-	0.31	3.77	1.82	2.87	0.73	5.13	6.89	-	
	Koratagere	-	-	-	1.59	5.78	1.20	3.45	0.50	1.57	7.64	-	
	Tumkur	-	-	-	2.00	6.30	2.20	1.50	1.00	1.65	3.75	-	
	District Average	-	-	0.12	1.68	5.61	1.04	2.97	0.86	3.25	5.39	-	

fall in the Kolar and Tumkur Districts
& end 1905

1905.

Dec	Total for 1904	Jan	Feb	March	Apl	May	June	July	August	Sept	oct	Nov	Dec	Total.
.12	17.23	0.48	–	0.40	0.19	1.76	0.14	0.85	3.00	1.54	5.53	3.13	0.35	17.37
.53	25.76	0.08	0.28	1.65	0.50	1.43	1.67	0.10	4.34	3.86	3.89	0.77	0.05	18.62
.19	20.83	0.19	0.14	1.47	2.62	3.89	0.97	0.82	5.30	0.50	6.17	2.35	0.12	24.54
.21	24.86	0.63	–	1.13	1.00	0.50	1.73	0.80	8.58	1.18	5.68	2.54	0.15	23.87
–	24.32	0.95	–	1.25	0.77	2.51	2.70	3.31	4.53	0.90	5.41	1.74	0.20	24.27
0.12	24.49	0.57	1.32	2.91	3.15	5.04	3.20	0.52	4.62	1.35	3.39	1.81	–	27.88
.07	12.76	0.09	–	0.49	–	4.13	2.50	0.68	6.86	0.60	6.69	0.38	0.09	22.41
0.05	21.85	0.15	–	0.55	0.48	2.99	3.16	0.85	7.05	2.60	3.52	0.71	–	22.06
–	32.37	0.48	–	1.24	2.15	3.59	0.55	7.66	4.63	1.19	6.35	1.69	0.12	23.65
0.05	20.29	0.12	0.08	2.30	0.68	2.05	1.12	2.32	6.04	0.38	6.04	1.21	0.10	22.44
0.13	25.25	–	0.46	0.42	–	4.31	4.93	3.76	10.76	0.33	7.81	0.08	–	32.86
0.13	22.73	0.34	0.21	1.26	1.05	2.93	2.06	1.42	5.97	1.30	5.50	1.49	0.10	23.63
–	32.70	0.30	4.70	0.15	0.60	3.20	2.35	1.61	8.84	0.96	4.76	0.71	–	28.18
.05	18.49	0.65	1.30	–	0.55	2.25	3.35	2.25	7.70	0.50	4.62	1.67	–	24.84
,	22.07	–	1.35	0.88	0.10	4.75	4.27	1.35	2.90	0.50	3.70	0.35	–	20.15
–	13.89	0.76	–	0.42	0.13	4.59	1.42	0.63	3.41	–	1.85	2.33	–	15.54
0.04	22.10	0.10	0.70	,	0.05	3.77	2.21	1.72	5.13	0.39	5.38	0.18	,	19.63
–	20.64	0.08	–	0.87	–	8.40	2.80	2.05	6.00	0.80	3.40	0.10	–	24.42
–	19.56	0.68	–	–	–	4.72	1.20	1.92	3.41	0.37	3.01	–	–	14.71
–	21.52	0.09	1.32	0.30	0.15	5.60	0.47	1.77	6.03	1.49	3.82	0.79	–	21.76
,	21.73	0.40	1.24	0.14	0.70	3.33	2.73	0.81	3.27	0.75	5.42	0.97	–	19.76
–	18.40	–	0.06	–	0.35	5.87	3.05	1.20	6.70	0.45	5.10	0.15	–	22.93
.01	20.91	0.23	1.06	0.27	0.25	4.65	2.38	1.58	5.34	0.62	4.11	0.72	,	21.21

Statement showing the prices of food grains in the

		Rice (Common)		Ragi	
		1904	1905	1904	1
January	Kolar	11.00	9.00	26.00	18
	Tumkur	10.00	9.00	39.00	20
February	Kolar	10.00	9.00	26.00	18
	Tumkur	9.00	9.00	38.00	22
March	Kolar	11.00	9.00	40.00	18
	Tumkur	11.75	9.00	40.00	22
April	Kolar	11.00	9.00	40.00	20
	Tumkur	12.00	9.00	38.00	20
May	Kolar	11.00	9.00	40.00	20
	Tumkur	12.00	9.00	38.00	20
June	Kolar	11.00	9.00	40.00	20
	Tumkur	12.50	9.00	40.00	20
July	Kolar	11.00	8.50	40.00	18
	Tumkur	12.50	9.00	40.00	20
August	Kolar	11.00	8.50	40.00	16
	Tumkur	13.00	9.00	40.00	19
September	Kolar	11.00	8.50	28.00	17
	Tumkur	13.00	9.00	40.00	19
October	Kolar	11.00	8.25	29.00	17
	Tumkur	12.50	9.00	38.00	19
November	Kolar	10.00	8.00	23.00	17
	Tumkur	9.50	7.25	26.00	16
December	Kolar	9.00	7.50	18.00	15
	Tumkur	8.75	7.25	20.00	16
Jan 06	Kolar		7.50		15.00
	Tmk		8.00		17;00
Feb 06	Kolar		7.50		15:00
	Tmk		8.00		18.00

-ar and Tumkur Districts during the years 1904 and 1905

	Kulthi		Kadale	
05	1904	1905	1904	1905
00	24.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
00	23.00	13.50	8.50	10.00
00	24.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
00	23.00	14.00	9.00	10.00
00	24.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
00	24.00	13.75	10.00	10.00
00	24.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
00	24.00	14.00	11.00	10.00
00	24.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
00	24.00	14.00	11.00	10.00
00	24.00	13.00	11.00	10.00
00	24.00	12.00	11.00	10.00
00	24.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
00	24.00	10.00	11.00	10.00
00	22.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
50	24.00	10.00	12.00	10.00
00	18.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
00	22.00	10.00	12.00	10.00
00	16.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
00	20.50	10.00	11.50	10.00
00	15.50	11.00	10.00	10.00
00	19.50	12.00	10.50	8.00
00	15.00	10.00	10.00	9.00
00	13.00	11.25	10.00	8.00
		14.00		9.00
		14.00		9.00
		14.00		9.00
		14.00		9.00

Statement showing the outturn of the principal crop
Years 1904 & 1905.

Dt & Taluk	Rice		Ragi	
	1904	1905	1904	1905
Kolar District	3·5	3 to 8 annas	2·9	3 to 8
Kolar				
Sidlaghatta	7·5	8 to 12	4·8	8
Srinivasapur	7·7	6	6·7	5
Goribidnur	7·1	8 to 12	4·1	8
Mulbagal	4·9	2 to 8	4·7	2 to 8
Bagepalli	7·5	8	3·2	3 to 4
Malur	2·1	4 to 8	3·2	4 to 6
Gudibanda	8·3	6 to 16	4·8	8
Chikballapur	4·9	10	3·1	10
Chintamani	5	10	4·4	10
Bowringpet	3·8	2 to 12	5·7	4 to 8
2 Dt average	4·9	8·09 5	4·3	6·6
Tumkur District				
Tumkur	4·2	4 to 12	6·4	4
Maddagiri	6·4	6·2	5·6	4·2
Chiknaikanhalli	2·9	4·8	3·9	5·1
Sira	5·3	5·7	3·3	4
Gubbi	4·2	4·4	3	4·7
Tiptur	8·5	4·2	8·9	8 7
Pavagada	6	4·4	4·3	3·4
Kunigal	4·9	8 4·6	3·6	4·3 8
Koratagere	7·8	6·1	7·1	5
Turuvekere	6·6	4 to 8	6·8	2 to 10
Dt Average.	5·3	4·9	4·4	

in the Kolar and Tumkur Districts during the

Kulthi		Kadale	
1904	1905	1904	1905
3	5		
3·8	9		
2·8	12		
3·1	6 to 8		
4	4 to 8		
3·4	6		
2·1	6		
6·4	8		
2·6	12		
3·9	12		
4	4 to 8		
3·5	8	Not available	Not available.
2·8	3·4		
3·6	~~4~~ 1·5		2
4	3·2		6 to 8
2·7	2·8 ~~4 to 6~~		4 to 6
2	3·1 ~~4 to 6~~		
8·8	~~2~~ 2·7		
2·2	2·5		4
2·6	4·7		
4·4	5·1		2 to 4
5·3	2·8		12
3·4	3·0 ~~4 to 6~~ 5 Subbo		5·5 for 5 in Subbo

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(A)

In the light of the statistics now collected in the Secretariat and any others he may be able to gather, the Revenue Commissioner may be unofficially asked to state whether, in his opinion, Tumkur deserves as much relief as Kolar.

(B)

As regards dry lands, the Deputy Commissioner proposes to limit the relief of suspension of revenue to the "really poor" and to break up the last two Khists into "four or six instalments according to individual needs". Are these principles correct? Is it possible to determine correctly who is "really poor" and what the "individual needs" are? The Revenue Commissioner's opinion may also be unofficially invited on these points.

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U. O. No. R. 77

dy 28-3-1906

Forwarded to the Revenue Commr. for favor of opinion

28/3/1906

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U. O. No 26.

(A) Reference indicated in the statistics appended to the accompanying Memorandum in which the figures for the Tumkur Distt are brought up to date ~~appear~~ I think the Tumkur Distt requires relief same as Kolar

(B) I understand the Deputy Commr's meaning that

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That no general & R. Rules are necessary in regard to Dry Land Revenue, but that he should be demi officially, i.e. Confidentially allowed latitude of action in granting time to a small mining ryot for Seed Cotton &c. - I think he may be allowed this - In these matters Govt can only rely upon the good sense and judgment of its local officers - J. Chandra Rao 6/4/06

Submitted for orders &c

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The D.C recommends the remission of a moiety of the assessment on Wet lands. If this be sanctioned the amount to be remitted will come to about 88,000 Rs. His other recommendation is that he should be officially permitted to grant time for the payment of assessment on Dry lands. In Kolar we remitted a half of the Wet assessment (Vide file Jud. Sub). - Submitted to the Govt for orders &c

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Submitted to His Highness.

The report of the Deputy Commissioner of Tumkur, submitted herewith, deals exhaustively with the season prospects and the poor outturn of crops of the District. Out of a total holding of 70518 acres of wet, with an assessment of about ₹301699, nearly 35% is stated to have remained Banjar, and 20% yielded less than a 4 anna crop. The Deputy Commissioner recommends the remission of half the assessment on such lands, involving about ₹88,000.

Paper under disposal

From the comparative statements of rainfall, prices and outturn of principal crops for 1904 and 1905, appended to the Office note, it will be seen that the present situation in the Tumkur District is not better than what it is in Kolar, regarding which concessions have already been granted by Government. The Revenue Commissioner is of opinion that the Tumkur District requires relief equally with Kolar. I would recommend that the said order be extended to Tumkur and that a remission may be sanctioned of half the assessment for 1905-'06, in the case of such lands

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classed as "Rice" under tanks, as owing to the absence or failure of water supply in the tanks, either actually lay waste during both the seasons (Kartika and Vaisakha) of the year, or yielded a crop of 4 anna and under in either of those seasons.

Paper under disposal

As regards dry lands, it is reported that of 931941 acres in holding, about 20% remained Banjar and about 30% yielded less than a 4 anna crop. The Deputy Commissioner thinks that an yield of less than a 4 anna crop, wet or dry, would scarcely pay the holder's cost of seed and labour, and that holders of lands with this yield are worse off than those of Banjar lands, who do not incur any cost. He is of opinion therefore that a suspension of the last 2 khists in some cases and of the last only in some others, may be desirable in the case of the <u>really poor</u>, and proposes that the last two khists may be made payable <u>in 4 or 6 instalments</u> according to the exigencies of each individual's case.

(Views unofficial opinion in office Note)

The Revenue Commissioner thinks that no general order notifying concessions need be passed, but that discretion may be given to Deputy Commissioner to grant time "to a small minority really in need of such relief". I do not consider that it is

desirable to leave it to the District officer to regulate the extent of time to be granted to meet individual requirements. This practically means giving discretion to the Village officers. I should prefer the affected tracts requiring this relief being specified in the order granting time. As the information is not available, the order will be worded as follows:-

"In the case of dry lands, the collection of khists in tracts which the Deputy Commissioner shall specify by a Notification to be issued by him and to be ultimately published in the Mysore Gazette, may be made in four or six instalments according to the requirements of each tract, beginning from 1st May 1906."

These recommendations may be sanctioned.

27/4/1906 M Govindacharya Rao

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

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Season prospects in the Tumkur District and the measures of relief proposed therefor.

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Serial No. 32

To the Revenue Commr & the Dyloomr, Dunkur Dt

G.O. No R. 14084-5 dy 1-5-06

Sanctions the remission of half the assessment for 1905-06 on such lands classed as rice under tanks as owing to the absence or failure of water-supply in the tanks either actually lay waste during both the seasons (Karthika & Vaisakha) of the year, or yielded a crop of 4 annas & under in either of those seasons & as regards dry lands directs that the collection of the cists in lands to be specified by a Notification to be issued by the Dyloomr & published in the Mysore Gazette, may be made in 4 or 6 instalments according to the requirements of each tract beginning from 1st May 1906.

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No. 589–596

My dear Sir,

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The Dewan would be glad to have as early as practicable full information as to the present situation of the crops & calle in your district and as to the measures of relief that are being adopted or will be requisite in the near future.

As the matter is extremely urgent ~~deleted~~ reports may be forwarded to my address. Lower officials

The Dewan expects that the report will be self-contained and convey an accurate & ~~graphic~~ account of the ~~existing~~ conditions prevailing in the several parts of the district. Similar reports should be sent in future until further instructions.

Yours Sincerely

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Tumkur

5th January 1906

Lear Sir,

In answer to your D.O. of the 27th ultimo Flag S regarding the season prospects I beg to state for the information of the Dewan that the harvesting of the dry crop in the District is nearing completion. Agricultural labourers are finding some work . Their condition is better now than a couple of months ago before the beginning of the harvest and the same must be said as regard the cattle.

No relief measures are being adopted now except by way of Takavi advances to meet which I have applied for further allotments . Other kinds of relief measures may not be necessary until about the middle of February in some parts of the District and until a month or so later in certain other parts . On no account would

relief

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My dear Sir,

Your report on the men & cattle in the Tumkur District is considered by the Govt. to be a brief general to convey a precise idea of the existing conditions & the probable prospects.

I am directed to forward herewith a set of questions on seasonal prospects and to request you to submit a report dealing with all these points and any others that are worth noticing.

An early reply is requested

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1. The ~~area of~~ average mortality of cattle for the year 1905. Is there any perceptible rise in this respect?

2.(a) What is the area under holding of principal food crops of the current year?

(b) What is the area sown?

(c) What is the area harvested?

(d) What is the approximate outturn in the several parts of the ~~Taluk~~ District? Taluk.

3.(a) What is the total quantity of rainfall since January 1905?

(b) What is the average for 10 years preceding 1905?

4.(a)What supply of water is contained in the tanks? The supply to be noted under every tank.

(b) When and under what conditions are difficulties likely to be experienced owing to shortage of water-supply?

(c) What remedies would generally be appropriate?

5.(a) Is there any perceptible rise in the price of food grains?

(b) How do prices stand when compared with the average for the past 5 years preceding January 1905?

6.(a) What is the present condition as regards fodder for cattle?

(b) Is a pinch likely to be felt? If so, when and under what conditions?

(c) What would be the best remedy locally for dearth of fodddr?

(d) Do facilities exist for growing irrigated fodder? If so, in what parts? Has any action been taken in this respect?

(e) Are there reserves of fodder in the villages?

(f) Is there much export of fodder? If so, to what parts?

(g) Can fodder be imported from any convenient centre in

case necessity arises therefor? If so, what places or localities would be the best for importation?

7. (a) What is the present condition as regards stock of food stuffs?

(b) Is there much export or import of food stuffs and in what directions?

8. (a) Is the programme of public and village works ready?

(b) Has a list of suitable candidates for employment on famine duty been maintained?

9. Are all or any of the following conditions noticed?

(a) Wandering of paupers;

(b) Contraction of private charity or credit;

(c) Feverish activity in the grain trade;

(d) Increase of crime;

(e) Unusual movements of flocks and herds in search of pasturage;

(f) Unusual migration of people.

10. What measures such as the following are or are likely to be needed before the next rainy season sets in?

(a) Advances of loans.

(b) Suspensions or even remissions of revenue.

(c) Tank bed cultivation.

(d) Free grazing in State Forests.

(e) Throwing open of Amritamahal Kavals.

(f) Expansion of ordinary public works.

(g) Free cutting of date leaves etc.

11. How far has special Pahani progressed and when are the figures likely to be ready?

12.(a)Have any cases of starvation in villages for want of

Report on the seasonal prospects of the Tumkur District.

Questions.	Answers.
2.(d) What is the approximate outturn in the several parts of the Taluks?	From information available in the office. Tumkur Taluk:- Ragi crop 8 annas in Mavukere, Chick Thotlakere, Beladhara Aregujjanahalli and other villages lying in the Eastern part of the Tk. Sira Taluk:- 2 to 8 annas Ragi in parts of Nadur and Sira Hoblies and 12 to 16 annas paddy. Under Sira tank a small extent only had been cultivated and the yield is reported to be about 4 annas. In Melukunte an Kotta villages dry crops are reporte to have totally failed. Pavagada:- Ragi under kapile wells 10 to 12 annas. Chiknayakanahalli Taluk:- Dry crops 6to8 annas in Yelanadu, Ganadhal and Melanahalli parts. Dasudi, Niruvagal, Huliyar and Badikegudlu parts--crops are poor and outturn about 4 to 6 annas. Turuvekere:- Dry crops 4 annas and less in the majority of villages excepting Dodsettikere, Muniyur, Pura, Turuvekere, Gottikere and Chendur where it is 4 to 8 annas.
3.(a) What is the total quantity of rainfall since January 1905? 3.(b) What is the average for 10 years preceding 1905?	Vide Statement appended overleaf.

Name of Taluk.	Total quantity of rainfall since January 1966.			Average rainfall for 10 years preceding 1966
	From 1.1.1966 to 31-12-1966	From 1.1.67 to 31.12.67	Total upto the end of 1967	Quantity
Tumkur	20--11	0-0	20-11	39-12
Pavagada	24--34	0-10	24-44	26-47
Chikkanayakanahal	19--36	0-0	19-36	28-17
Sira	15--24	0-28	15-76	23-37
Madhugiri	10--26	0-9	10-35	25-38
Koratagere	24--42	0-0	24-42	26-13
Gubbi	14--71	0-0	14-71	22-20
Kunigal	21--76	0-0	21-76	31-36
Koratagere	19--76	0-0	19-76	25-44
Turuvekere	23--3	0-0	23-3	26-3

4.(a) Is the supply of water in the tanks adequate? The supply to be noted under every tank.

From information available now in the office:-

Chikkanayakanahalli taluk:- Kattey of Chikkanahalli and Hosapalya tanks of Bhoomarajere, 10 acres, contain about 6 months supply.

Kunigal taluk:- Tanks of Santemaranahalli, Arebolya, Dipasamudra, Gopasandra and Maleyur contain 2 to 3 months' supply.

Tumkur taluk:- Tanks of Tumkur, Hebbur, Melhal and Hydala contain 6 months supply.

Sira taluk:- Mandenahalli tank 4 months of water, Hallur tank 2 months' supply and Jampodu tank sufficient to last during hot season for cattle.

Turuvekere Sub taluk:- Kallasandra tank has 6 months supply. Other tanks

4.(a) continued-

and Mallaghatta tanks quantity to last for some time for drinking purposes.

4.(b) When and under what conditions are difficulties likely to be experienced owing to shortage of water-supply?

If rains don't come in another month or month and a half the shortage of water-supply will be keenly felt.

4.(c) What remedies would generally be appropriate?

Government would have to supply drinking water wells and grant loans under section 194 Land Revenue Code and under Land Improvement REGULATION in cases where applications are received.

5 (a) Is there any perceptible rise in the price of food grains?

In the last week there was a slight fall in the prices of principal food grains in all Taluks except Maddagiri and Chiknayakanahalli when compared with those that prevailed in the first week of January 1906. When compared with the average of the previous 5 years the rise is very perceptible.

5.(b) How do prices stand when compared with the average for the past 5 years preceding January 1905?

Available throughout the District.

6.(a) What is the present condition as regards fodder for cattle?

6.(b) Is a pinch likely to be felt? If so, when and under what conditions?

A month or a month and a half later the scarcity of fodder will be felt in many parts.

6.(c) What would be the best remedy locally for dearth of fodder?

Resort to State Forests and Amritmahal kavals and grant of date leaves and advances under Takkavi Rules.

6.(d) Do facilities exist for growing irrigated fodder? If so, in what parts? Has any action been taken in this respect?

No. But orders were issued to all the Taluks some two months ago to get tank beds cultivated with Jola and Kadale with a view to provide grain to the ryot and fodder for his cattle. Many tank beds were cultivated under

5.(c) contd.--	...prior to the crop ... doing well.
5.(e) Are there reserves of fodder in the villages?	The better class of ryot ... it.
5.(f) Is there much export of fodder? If so, to what parts?	There was some export of fodder but not much. Further details will be supplied later.
5.(g) Can fodder be imported from any convenient centre in case necessity arises therefor? If so, what places or localities would be the best for importation?	Our bordering taluks are not less or off than the District.
7.(a) What is the present condition as regards stock of food stuffs?	A sufficient stock ... held in Kunigal and ... somewhat less in the taluk of Kibbanahalli and Pavagada and still less ... Chikkanayakanahalli and Turuvekere Sira taluk.
7.(b) Is there much export or import of food stuffs and in what direction?	There was some import of food ... from Tiptur, Gubbi, Turuvekere, ... and Kadur towards Tumkur ... And some rice came into ... Tiptur from Goutty ...
8.(a) Is the programme of public and village works ready?	Yes.
8.(b) Has a list of suitable persons for employment on ... been maintained?	It was reported ... private individuals ... offer themselves for employment ... Canine duty. We ... Village and Taluk officials ... canine does come ...

8.(b) continued-	that there will not be a dearth of candidates for employment.
9. Are all or any of the following conditions noticed?	
(a) Wandering of paupers;	No.
(b) Contraction of private charity or credit;	No.
(c) Feverish activity in the grain trade;	No.
(d) Increase of crime;	No.
(e) Unusual movements of flocks and herds in search of pasturage;	No.
(f) Unusual migration of people;	No.
10. What measures such as the following are or are likely to be needed before the next rainy season sets in?	
(a) Advances of loans.	Yes.
(b) Suspensions or even remissions of revenue.	Suspension might suffice. It remains to be seen if remission will become necessary.
(c) Tank bed cultivation.	Already done.
(d) Free grazing in State Forests.	Will be recommended as necessity arises.
(e) Throwing open of Amritmahal Kavals.	Will be recommended as necessity arises. Government already written to in one case and orders obtained.
(f) Expansion of ordinary public works.	Yes.
(g) Free cutting of date leaves &ca.	Permission granted in some Taluks and will be in others as necessity occurs.

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17. How many Special Parties are required. Figures will be supplied by the Revenue Authorities when ready. Where likely to be ready?

18.(a) Have any cases of starvation in villages for want of food been noticed? No.

18.(b) Are the authorities vigilant in watching for the earliest symptoms of starvation in the villages? Yes.

Note:- During tours during November and December last through Narkur, Kandrel, Kuruvakere, Gubbi, Chikkanayakanahalli, Sira, Pavagada, Madagiri and Koratagere I noticed that men and cattle were healthy and well fed. I have not enquired into the condition of crops and the supply of water and fodder in the several parts of Tumkur which while sufficient for subsistence and to public officers is not sufficient to be translated into Land Revenue. The other details called for will therefore be furnished in due course.

The time has not arrived yet to start Relief Measures.

Tumkur,
25th January 1906.

For Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur District

No. R. 10828-9

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Dt 19th Feb. 1906.

Proceedings of the Govt of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:

The Report of the Deputy Commissioner of the Tumkur District on the seasonal prospects of the District, dated the 25th January 1906.

orde thereon.

The further information promised by the Deputy Commissioner will be awaited.

2. He is requested to submit early detailed comprehensive proposals regarding suspension of revenue & expansion of the works which, in his opinion, are likely to be necessary

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K. Daraswamy Iyer Esq
Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur District

To

B. K. Venkata Varada Iyengar Esq
Secretary to the Government of
H. H. The Maharaja of Mysore

Dated 8th Jud. & Rev. Depts.

Despatched 9th March 1906.

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Enclosure No. four.

In continuation
of this Office report,
dated the 25th January
1906, regarding the
seasonal prospects
of this District and
with reference to para
1. of the Government
Order No: R. 10828-9
Agri. 101-05-5
dated the 19th ultimo,
undersigned has
the honor to forward
herewith statements

containing information for questions 1, 2(a), (b), (c) and (d), 4(a), and 6(f). The report of the Auditor of Sira has just been received, and facts taken therefrom are also embodied in the consolidated statement.

2. As regards para 2. of the order under reply and as regards the observations in Government Order No: A, dated the 6th March 1906, a comprehensive report is under compilation and will be sent to the Revenue Commissioner before the middle of the month.

Deputy Commissioner.

Question (11)

Statement showing the average mortality of cattle for the year 1905.

Serial no:	Taluk	1905	1904
1	Tumkur	745	821
2	Maddagere	1809	2538
3	Sira	1062	1361
4	Chiknaikanahally	940	1062
5	Gubbi	498	539
6	Tiptur	1781	1325
7	Pavagada	608	1156
8	Kunigal	696	1817
9	Koratagere	808	836
10	Turuvekere	252	—

N. B. There has been no perceptible rise in this respect in any of the Taluks in the District.

Deputy Commissioner

Mortality of cattle less than last year except at Tiptur

Question. 4 (a

Statement showing the supply of w
of the several Taluks in the District.

1	Tumkur Taluk.	Eight tanks contain two months' supply and th
2.	Maddagere "	Six tanks contain a t two months' supply.
3.	Sira "	Three tanks contain a month's supply, and th
4.	Chikmankanahally "	Five tanks contain thi
5.	Gubbi "	Ten tanks contain a three to four months'
6.	Tiptur "	Twenty five tanks co
7.	Pavagada "	Five tanks contain a month's supply and f
8.	Kunigal "	Two tanks contain others three to four
9.	Koratagere "	Two tanks contain supply and one conta
10.	Turuvekere "	Five tanks contain a month's supply, seven c and three contain three

N.B. The other tanks in the Taluks & sub months supply.

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months' supply.
Tanks contain either no water or less than a

Deputy Commissioner.

Question 6(f)

Is there much Export of fodder?

If So, to what parts?

Answer.

There is no Export of fodder from any of the Taluks in the District, Except that grass is cut in the Forest plantation at Gubbi and Exported to Bangalore for the Commissariat Department under a special Contract with the Forest Department.

Deputy Commissioner

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Deputy Commissioner's Office,
Tumkur District,
Tumkur 15th March 1906.

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From

K.Doraswami Iyer squire
Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur District.

To

B.K.Venkatavaraia Iyengar Esquire,
Secretary to the Government of His Highness the
Maharaja of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments

Sir,

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With reference to para 2 of Government Order No. 10828-9/Agri 101-05-5 dated the 19th February 1906 requesting submission of definite and comprehensive proposals regarding suspension of revenue and expansion of public works likely to be necessary, I have the honour to comply hereby.

2. The statement appended shows the total quantity of rain gauged in the different taluks from January to December 1905 as compared with the corresponding period in 1904 and 1903 and with the average of the past 10 years.

Serial no	Name of Taluk	1905		1904		1903		Average of 10 years from 1895 to 1904.	
		Inches	Cents	Inches	cents	Inches	Cents	Inches	Cents.
1	Tumkur	28	11	32	72	53	42	39	12
2	Maddagiri	24	84	18	52	31	64	26	47
3	Chickanaikenhalli	19	55	21	7	28	10	28	17
4	Sira	15	54	14	10	34	3	23	67
5	Gubbi	19	56	22	10	40	90	28	93
6	Tiptur	24	42	19	76	28	82	26	13
7	Pavagada	14	71	19	56	36	99	22	88
8	Kunigal	21	76	21	52	44	67	31	86
9	Kortigere	19	76	19	46	35	22	25	44
10	Turvekere	23	8	18	40	36	18	26	5

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A perusal of the statement will show that during the past two calendar years viz 1904 and 1905 ,the rainfall was very much below the 10 years' average except in the taluks of Maddagiri and Tiptur and Sub Taluk of Turuvekere where the rainfall though not scanty was untimely and so without much benefit to the crops. The untimely nature of the rains was most pronounced in Turuvekere. But whether in time or out of time the rains helped the fodder requirements of cattle and put some water in tanks and pokattes and saved us two important phases of distress. The abnormally heavy rains of of 1903 contributed much to lessen the effects of the scanty rainfall of 1904.

3. Cattle are healthy. Permission was granted for using date leaves as fodder where that was necessary. In addition to this some Amrut Mahal Kavals in the Tiptur and Sira Taluks were thrown open to the cattle of the surrounding villages in consultation with the Officers of that Department. In the Nidagul State Forest of the Pavagada Taluk and in the Bukkapatna State Forest of the Sira Taluk the ryots have been allowed to cut and remove the grass . In view of coming difficulties many ryots are holding a reserve of fodder.

4. Drinking water is still available for men and cattle but cannot last long . Estimates for sinking fresh wells where none exist at present and for deepening those which are failing have been got up and application for an allotment out of the Local Funds General has been made to Government in order to supplement our grants from the District Funds.

5. Government sanctioned additional allotments under Takkavi upon my Application and loans are being granted therefrom. Our District Fund works and the Takkavi wells are affording some small work for the labouring classes.

* This is being dealt with in the L.F. Br. where it is said further information is called for. (Illegible)

6. Markets are well supplied with food grains but the prices have again gone up. Following are the statiscs of prevailing prices.

Taluks	Prices per rupee in seers		
	Rice	Ragi	Kulthi
Tumkur	8	18	14
Maddagiri	7½	17	18
Chickanayakanahalli	8	17	12
Sira	7½	16	13
Gubbi	7	16	12
Tiptur	8	17	11
Pavagada	7½	16	11
Kunigal	8	16	13
Turuvekere	8½	20	12
-Kortagere	7	18	1 ¼

No grain is exported to foreign parts.

7. Owing to the failure of rains and consequent disappointment of harvests orders were issued early in November 1905 to taluks to get tank beds cultivated with quick growing crops such as Kadale, Jola &ca. As many as 131 tank beds were cultivated of which 1498 acres were with Kadale and 323 acres with Jola.

8. In some places it will be time by the beginning of April to start a few releif works. The following works would have to be started. They are selected from out of the village Famine Relief Programme.

Maddagiri:- Repairs to,	Estimated cost
(1) Hosalttikoloti tank	Rs.2604
(2) Kanthanahalli tank	1116
(3) Kumbarahalli tank	1419-8-0

Turuvekere:-

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Turuvekere:-

(1) Muthugadahalli Hosa katte	150
(2) Mudigere Varade Gowdana Gokatte	133
(3) Benkikere Mysore Thimmanna's Gokatte	233
(4) Chickonahalli Ninge Gowda's Gokatte	134

Sira Taluk:-

Feeder Channel to Sira tank	2000
Total	7824-8-0

A separate communication will be made today asking for sanction of funds. A further selection from the Famine Relief Programmes will be submitted when necessary.

9. The early rains during which Ragi was to be sown were both scanty and unequally distributed. Some sowing was however done . When the next rains came many ryots were not ready with their fields for sowing. There was some sowing however but more was done later on when the choice was only horsegram. This accounts for the unusually large extent of horsegram sowing this year. The ragi crop of the later sowing and the horsegram were coming up well but when car and pod were forming the rains disappointed. It was only the ragi of the first sowing that yielded the average of an 8 anna crop. The failure of horsegram was even more extensive than of ragi, In Kunigal and Tumkur taluks however a few favoured tracts received the later showers which helped to realise a better outturn of crops. The following statement shows the percentage of the area cultivated according to the outturn of crops in respect of ragi, horsegram and Cholam.

Serial no.	Taluks	Raggi Percentage on out turn in						Horse gram Percentage on out turn in						Pholam Percentage on out turn in					
		Total Extent	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas	Total Extent	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas	Total Extent	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 ann
		acres.																	
1	Tumkur	98,867	-	2	33	22	43	8,934	-	-	10	40	50	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	Maddagiri	31,003	-	-	27	31	42	10,212	-	-	6	34	60	29,415	-	-	8	24	68
3	Chickanaikenhalli	33,377	-	-	38	41	21	6,921	-	-	8	39	53	1,286	-	-	-	53	47
4	Sira	27,470	-	4	7	49	40	8,806	-	1	1	33	65	4,641	-	2	8	40	50
5	Gubbi	63,834	-	-	33	37	30	13,591	-	-	-	57	43	1,273	-	-	-	85	15
6	Tiptur	33,336	-	-	61	37	2	5,469	-	-	21	26	53	1,343	-	-	26	70	4
7	Pavagada	9,950	-	-	9	43	48	22,458	-	-	-	27	73	384	-	-	1	54	45
8	Kunigal	52,027	-	1	14	63	22	10,337	-	1	14	59	26	1018	-	-	23	26	51
9	Kortagere	18,745	-	-	43	49	8	5,623	-	-	37	51	12	1,277	-	-	28	64	8
10	Turvekere	26,327	-	-	19	54	27	4826	-	-	6	24	70	480	-	1	3	18	78

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The lands that remained bunjar were about 30 per cent of the holding . Of the extent cultivated 20 per cent yielded less than a four anna crop. Although the rains of 1904 were scanty the abnormally heavy rains of 1903 had contributed to keep some water in our tanks but there was not that advantage for the year 1905.

11. The following statement exhibits the estimated actual outturn in terms of annas in the rupee of paddy, ragi, horsegram, cholam and sugarcane for the past two years 1903-4 and 1904-5 in all the taluks of this District.

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Serial no	Taluks	Years	Paddy	Raggi	Horsegram	Cholam	Sugar cane
1	Tumkur	1903-04	12.2	12.6	7.9	"	12.8
		1904-05	4.2	6.4	2.8	"	9.3
2	Maddagiri	1903-04	9.4	10.3	8.7	6.4	8.8
		1904-05	6.4	5.6	3.8	6.7	8-8
3	Chickanaikenhalli	1903-04	15.4	16.0	15.8	15.4	"
		1904-05	2-9	3-9	4-0	8-0	"
4	Sira	1903-04	5.1	5.7	4.2	4.6	7.8
		1904-05	5-3	3.3	2.7	4-1	3-8
5	Gubbi	1903.04	11.2	12.2	10.3	9.7	14.2
		1904-05	4.2	3.0	2-0	4.0	8.0
6	Tiptur	1903.04	9.1	11.1	8.9	10.4	12.2
		1904.05	8.5	8.9	8.8	9.2	8.0
7	Pavagada	1903.04	7.2	8.5	7.2	5.2	"
		1904.05	6.0	4.3	2.2	5.6	4.0
8	Kunigal	1903.04	9.4	8.8	7.2	"	8.3
		1904.05	4.9	3.6	2.6	2.3	8.1
9	Turvekere	1903-04	10.5	11.3	9.9	10.8	10.8
		1904-05	6.6	6.8	5.3	"	12.7
10	Kortigere	1903.04	11.2	12.5	8.9	8.5	16.0
		1904-05	7.8	7.1	4.4	5.1	8.2

12. It will be seen from what has been stated above that out of the total dry occupied area of about 131941 acres 20 per cent lay banjar and about 30 per cent yielded less than a 4 anna crop. Of the total wet occupied area of about 70,518 acres about 35 per cent lay banjar and 20 per cent yielded less than a 4 anna crop. A less than 4 anna crop wet or dry would scarcely pay the holder's cost of seed and labour and holders of lands with this yield were perhaps worse off than the holders of banjar who did not incur that cost. And so, on about half the holdings both dry and wet little or no crop was raised. Seeing that we had two bad years in succession I would recommend for the consideration of Government a remission of half the assessment on tank fed rice lands on which no wet crops were raised or what were raised were below a four anna value. In a few places sugar cane too failed and here also I would recommend the same concession. River- or Talapurge- channel fed lands and well-irrigated lands and lands which remained uncultivated owing to the owner's default are not contemplated here. Out of a holding of 70,518 acres wet with an assessment of about Rs.301699/ it is estimated that about half the extent bearing proportionate assessment would come under the operation of the sanction now solicited. The half assessment for remission would come to about Rs.88,000/.

13. In regard to the dry lands: The harvest of this year has been already dealt with. A suspension of the last two khists in some cases and in some others of the last only may be desirable in the case of the really poor whose lands were either banjar or yielded less than a 4 anna crop. The last two khists may be broken up into four or six instalments according to individual needs. If Government approve of this proposal I beg that their sanction may be communicated to me demi-officially.

14. No interference is needed in respect of the first two

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khists wet or dry.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

Deputy Commissioner.

This P.C. have been addressed to the Revd. Court in the first instance but as it is addressed to the Secretary a Duplicate is sent to the Revd. Court

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File No. 101-05

Serial No 20

Diary No. of letter replied to _____

No. R. 11951

General and Rev. Secretariat
(Agri)
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To

The Revenue Board
in Mysore

Date of issue 17-3-1906

Signed by Mr P.G. D'Souza

Sir,

I have the honour to state that the Dy Comr of the Bunker Dt reports that he has submitted to you a duplicate copy of his letter No 792 dated the 15th March 1906 addressed to ~~the undersigned~~ me re proposals for suspension of revenue and expansion of public works called for in G.O. No 10828-9 Agri 101-05-5 dated the 19th February 1906, and to request that

over.

SUBJECT.

you may be so good as to submit the same to Govt with your opinion at a very early date.

I have etc

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Secretary

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List of enclosures,

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MGCPL—30000-10-12—0.

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3. Jail Road.
Bangalore, 18th March 1906.

My dear Sir,

As desired in your Official No 11551 9/7.3.1906 'Immediate' letter received late last evening, I send herewith the copy of the Tumkur District office No. 792 dated 15th Instant addressed to the Secretary on the seasonal conditions and requirements of the District which the Deputy Commissioner sent to me Demi officially. I am sorry I have not had time to study the subject and form and formulate the opinion which you have desired me to submit.

Yours Sincerely,

P. Ananda Rau

B. K. Venkata Varada Iyengar Esq.,
Secretary to Govt.
General & Revenue Deptt.

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File No. 101-05
Serial No. 32

Diary No. of letter replied to _____

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.
(Agri.)

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Date of issue 1-5-1906

Signed by P.G.D. Inigarly 2.

READ.—

G.O. No 1028-9-Agri. 101-05-6 dated the 19th February 1906 requesting the Deputy Commissioner of the Tumkur District to submit definite and comprehensive proposals

~~ORDER THEREON.~~—No

regarding the suspension of revenue and expansion of public works, which in his opinion, are likely to be necessary owing to the prospects of the season in the District.

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SUBJECT

MGCPB—20,000—24-2-05

Letter No 792 dated the 15th
March 1906 from the Deputy
Commr of the Dumka Dt
submitting proposals for
remission & suspension of
revenue as called for in
the above
(3) Note No 26 of the 6th April 1906 from the
Revenue Comr in Bhagalpur furnishing
his opinion on the proposals made by
the Dy Comr in the above
Order thereon :— No R. 14084 - 5

The report of
the Deputy Commr read
above, deals exhaustively
with the season prospects
and the past out-turn of
crops in the District. Out
of a total holding of 70578
acres of wet land (with an
actual occup
assessment of about Rs 3,01
nearly 35 per cent is stated
to have remained waste
and 20 per cent yielded
less than a 4 anna crop. The
Deputy Commissioner recom-
mends the remission of

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half the assessment on such lands involving about Rs 88000. The Revenue Board is of opinion that the Tumkur District requires relief equally with Kolar ~~regarding which Concessions have already been granted by Govt~~. Under these circumstances, the Govt of H. H. the Maharaja are pleased to sanction as an exceptional measure, the remission of half the assessment for 1905-6 in the case of such lands classed as "Rice" under tanks, ~~which~~ as owing to the absence or failure of water-supply in the tanks either actually lay waste during both the seasons (Kartika and Vaisakha) of the year, or yielded a crop of 4 annas and under in either of those seasons.

as the present situation there, as shown by the high prices prevailing due to scanty rainfall and poor outturn of crops is in no way more favourable than that prevailing in the Kolar Dt for which concession has already been granted by Govt

2. As regards dry lands it is reported that of

MGCPB—30,000—5-4-05.

93.1941 acres in holding
about 20 per cent remained
waste and about 30 per cent
yielded less than a 4 anna
crop. The Deputy Commr
thinks that an yield of
less than a 4 anna crop,
wet or dry, would scarcely
pay the holder's cost of
seed and labour, and that
holders of lands with this
yield are worse off than
those of Banjar lands
who do not incur any cost at all
He is of opinion therefore
that a suspension of the
last two kists in some
cases and of the last only
in some others, may be
desirable in the case of the
really poor, and proposes
that the last two kists
may be made payable in
4 or 6 instalments according
to the exigencies of each indi-
-vidual's case. The Revenue
Commr thinks that no general
order modifying concessions
need be passed, but that
discretion may be given
to the Deputy Commissioner
to grant time to a small

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minority really in need of such relief'. Government do not consider it desirable to leave it to the District officers to regulate the extent of time to be granted to meet individual requirements as this would practically mean leaving it to that discretion of the village officers. They are therefore pleased to direct that in the case of dry lands, the collection of kists in tracts which the Deputy Commissioner shall specify by a Notification to be issued by him and to be ultimately published in the Mysore Gazette, may be made in four or six instalments according to the requirements of each tract beginning from 1st May 1906.

The omission of these words will leave it to the Dy Commr. the final power of determining which of these tracts should be so 26/4/06

3. With regard to the working of the details and the course to be adopted in giving effect to the remission of assessment now sanctioned

MGCPB—30,000—5-4-05.

the attention of the Deputy Commissioner is invited to the instructions contained in paras 6 & 7 of Govt order No R.10878-87-Agrl 22-05-35 dated the 6th February 1906 sanctioning remission of half assessment on rice lands in the Kolar Dt

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30/1/06 Secretary
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To The Revenue Comr in Mysore
The Dy Comr Kolar Dt

READ—

Government Order No. 10828-9—Agri. 101-05-5, dated the 19th February 1906, requesting the Deputy Commissioner of the Tumkur District to submit definite and comprehensive proposals regarding the suspension of revenue and expansion of public works, which, in his opinion, are likely to be necessary owing to the prospects of the season in the district.

(2) The following letter No. 792, dated the 15th March 1906, from the Deputy Commissioner of the Tumkur District:—

"With reference to para 2 of Government Order No. 10828-9—Agri. 101-05-5, dated the 19th February 1906, requesting submission of definite and comprehensive proposals regarding suspension of revenue and expansion of public works likely to be necessary, I have the honor to comply hereby.

2. The statement appended shows the total quantity of rain gauged in the different taluks from January to December 1905, as compared with the corresponding period in 1904 and 1903 and with the average of the past ten years:—

No.	Name of Taluk	1905		1904		1903		Average of ten years from 1895 to 1904	
		Inches	Cents	Inches	Cents	Inches	Cents	Inches	Cents
1	Tumkur	28	11	32	72	53	42	39	12
2	Maddagiri	24	84	18	52	31	64	26	47
3	Chiknayakanhalli	19	55	21	7	28	10	28	17
4	Sira	15	54	14	10	34	3	23	67
5	Gubbi	19	56	22	10	40	90	28	93
6	Tiptur	24	42	19	76	28	82	26	13
7	Pavagada	14	71	19	56	36	99	22	88
8	Kunigal	21	76	21	52	44	67	31	86
9	Koratagere	19	76	19	46	35	22	25	44
10	Turuvekere	23	8	18	40	36	18	26	5

A perusal of the statement will show that during the past two calendar years, *viz.*, 1904 and 1905, the rainfall was very much below the ten years' average except in the taluks of Maddagiri and Tiptur and Sub-Taluk of Turuvekere, where the rainfall though not scanty was untimely and so without much benefit to the crops. The untimely nature of the rains was most pronounced in Turuvekere. But whether in time or out of time the rains helped the fodder requirements of cattle and put some water in tanks and *gokattes* and saved us two important phases of a distress. The abnormally heavy rains of 1903, contributed much to lessen the effects of the scanty rainfall of 1904.

3. Cattle are healthy. Permission was granted for using date leaves as fodder where that was necessary. In addition to this, some Amrut Mahal kavals in the Tiptur and Sira Taluks were thrown open to the cattle of the surrounding villages in consultation with the officers of that Department. In the Nidagal State Forest of the Pavagada Taluk and in the Bukkapatna State Forest of the Sira Taluk, the raiyats have been allowed to cut and remove the grass. In view of coming difficulties many raiyats are holding a reserve of fodder.

4. Drinking water is still available for men and cattle but cannot last long. Estimates for sinking fresh wells where none exist at present and for deepening those which are failing, have been got up and application for an allotment out of the Local Funds General has been made to Government in order to supplement our grants from the District Funds.

5. Government sanctioned additional allotments under *Takavi* upon my application and loans are being granted therefrom. Our District Fund works and the *Takavi* wells are affording some small work for the labouring classes.

6. Markets are well supplied with food grains but the prices have again gone up. Following are the statistics of prevailing prices :—

Taluks	Prices per rupee in seers		
	Rice	Ragi	Kulthi
Tumkur	8	18	14
Maddagiri	7¼	17	13
Chiknayakanhalli	8	17	12
Sira	7½	16	13
Gubbi	7	16	12
Tiptur	8	17	11
Pavagada	7½	16	11
Kunigal ... ... —	8	16	13
Turuvekere	8½	20	12
Koratagere	7	18	13¼

No grain is exported to foreign parts.

7. Owing to the failure of rains and consequent disappointment of harvests, orders were issued early in November 1905 to taluks to get tank beds cultivated with quick-growing crops such as kadale, jola, etc. As many as 131 tank beds were cultivated, of which 1,498 acres were with kadale and 823 acres with jola.

8. In some places it will be time by the beginning of April to start a few relief works. The following works would have to be started. They are selected from out of the village Famine Relief Programme :—

	Estimated cost.		
	Rs.	a.	p.
Maddagiri—			
Repairs to—			
(1) Hosa Ittikaloti tank	2,604	0	0
(2) Kamthanahalli tank	1,116	0	0
(3) Kumbarahalli tank	1,419	8	0
Turuvekere—			
(1) Muthugadahalli Hosakatte	150	0	0
(2) Mudigere Varade Gowdana Gokatte ...	133	0	0
(3) Benkikere Mysore Thimmanna's Gokatte... ...	268	0	0
(4) Chikkonahalli Ninge Gowda's Gokatte	134	0	0
Sira Taluk—			
Feeder channel to Sira tank	2,000	0	0
Total ...	7,824	8	0

A separate communication will be made to-day asking for sanction of funds. A further selection from the famine relief programmes will be submitted when necessary.

9. The early rains during which ragi was to be sown were both scanty and unequally distributed. Some sowing was however done. When the next rains came, many raiyats were not ready with their fields for sowing. There was some sowing, however, but more was done later on when the choice was only horse-gram. This accounts for the unusually large extent of horse-gram sowing this year. The ragi crop of the later sowing and the horse-gram were coming up well, but when ear and pod were forming, the rains disappointed. It was only the ragi of the first sowing that yielded the average of an eight-anna crop. The failure of horse-gram was even more extensive than of ragi. In Kunigal and Tumkur Taluks, however, a

few favoured tracts received the later showers which helped to realize a better outturn of crops. The following statement shows the percentage of the area cultivated according to the outturn of crops in respect of ragi, horse-gram and cholam :—

Serial No.	Taluks	Ragi, percentage on outturn in—					
		Total extent	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas
		Acres					
1	Tumkur	98,867	...	2	33	22	43
2	Maddagiri	31,003	...	...	27	31	42
3	Chiknayakanhalli	33,377	...	...	38	41	21
4	Sira	27,470	...	4	7	49	40
5	Gubbi	63,834	...	...	33	37	30
6	Tiptur	33,336	...	...	61	37	2
7	Pavagada	9,950	...	...	9	43	48
8	Kunigal	52,027	...	1	14	63	22
9	Koratagere	18,745	...	...	43	49	8
10	Turuvekere	26,327	...	·	19	54	27

Serial No.	Taluks	Horse-gram, percentage on outturn in—					
		Total extent	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas
		Acres					
1	Tumkur	8,934	...	...	10	40	50
2	Maddagiri	10,212	...	...	6	34	60
3	Chiknayakanhalli	6,921	...	...	8	39	53
4	Sira	8,806	...	1	1	33	65
5	Gubbi	13,591	...	...	...	57	43
6	Tiptur	5,469	...	...	21	26	53
7	Pavagada	22,458	...	...	...	27	73
8	Kunigal	10,337	...	1	14	59	26
9	Koratagere	5,623	...	...	37	51	12
10	Turuvekere	4,826	...	...	6	24	70

Serial No.	Taluks	Cholam, percentage on outturn in—					
		Total extent	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas
		Acres					
1	Tumkur	.....	...	...	...	...	...
2	Maddagiri	2,945	...	...	8	24	68
3	Chiknayakanhalli	1,286	...	...	...	53	47
4	Sira	4,641	...	2	8	40	50
5	Gubbi	1,273	...	...	...	85	15
6	Tiptur	1,343	...	...	26	70	4
7	Pavagada	384	...	...	1	54	45
8	Kunigal	1,018	...	...	23	26	51
9	Koratagere	1,277	...	...	28	64	8
10	Turuvekere	480	...	1	3	18	78

Of the dry lands in holding, about 20 per cent were left *banjar* and about 30 per cent yielded less than a four-anna crop and this extent would comprise lands on which no crop was harvested. There were many such according to my personal observation. Crops withered away when a span or a foot high.

10. Regarding lands under tanks, a decent paddy crop was obtained here and there but in the majority of cases the crop was poor or had failed. The following statement gives the particulars of cultivation and the estimated outturn of paddy and sugarcane crops :—

No.	Taluks		Paddy, percentage of outturn in						
			Kartika and Vaisakhi	Total Exent in acres	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas
1	Tumkur	... ...	Kartika ...	6,643	...	1	40	33	26
			Vaisakhi ..	2,298	...	...	27	31	42
2	Maddagiri	... ...	Kartika ...	215	...	...	...	100	...
			Vaisakhi ...	2,137	...	4	30	24	42
3	Chiknayakanhalli	... ...	Kartika ...	254	...	...	40	58	2
			Vaisakhi ...	163	...	...	...	3	97
4	Sira	... ...	Kartika ...	3,097	2	10	29	39	20
			Vaisakhi ...	485	...	35	51	12	2
5	Gubbi	... ...	Kartika ...	7,287	..	...	...	97	3
			Vaisakhi ..	382	...	100	...	...	...
6	Tiptur	... ...	Kartika ...	4,702	...	...	...	..	...
			Vaisakhi ...	...	...	...	38	49	13
7	Kunigal	... ...	Kartika ...	6,724	...	...	37	34	29
			Vaisakhi ...	360	...	..	100	...	...
8	Pavagada	... ...	Kartika ...	1,110	...	...	3	69	28
			Vaisakhi ...	1,372	...	...	32	59	9
9	Koratagere	... ...	Kartika ...	1,701	...	...	68	17	15
			Vaisakhi ...	204	...	...	...	100	...
10	Turuvekere	... ...	Kartika ..	3,620	...	1	22	20	57
			Vaisakhi ...	513	...	...	25	75	...

No.	Taluks		Sugar-cane, percentage of outturn in						Remarks
			Total extent in acres	20 annas	16 annas	8 annas	4 annas	Less than 4 annas	
1	Tumkur	... ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	For Kartika paddy crop actual outturn is given and for Vaisakhi crop only the estimated outturn is given.
2	Maddagiri	... ...	450	...	7	33	20	40	
3	Chiknayakanhalli	... ...	...	...	...	.	...	..	
4	Sira	... ...	26	...	...	77	4	19	
5	Gubbi	... ...	228	...	...	100	...	...	
6	Tiptur	... ...	169	...	..	50	38	12	
7	Kunigal	... ...	585	...	1	63	35	2	
8	Pavagada	... ...	4	...	...	...	50	50	
9	Koratagere	... ...	294	...	...	81	19	...	
10	Turuvekere	... ...	477	...	...	14	76	10	

The lands that remained *banjar* were about 35 per cent of the holding. Of the extent cultivated 20 per cent yielded less than a four-anna crop. Although the rains of 1904 were scanty, the abnormally heavy rains of 1903 had contributed to keep some water in our tanks, but there was not that advantage for the year 1905.

11. The following statement exhibits the estimated actual outturn in terms of annas in the rupee of paddy, ragi, horse-gram, cholam and sugar-cane for the past two years 1903-04 and 1904-05 in all the taluks of this district.

Serial No.	Taluks	Years	Paddy	Ragi	Horse-gram	Cholam	Sugar-cane
1	Tumkur	1903-04	12·2	12·6	7·9	.....	12·8
		1904-05	4·2	6·4	2·8	.....	8·3
2	Maddagiri	1903-04	9·4	10·3	8·7	6·4	8·8
		1904-05	6·4	5·6	3·8	6·7	8·8
3	Chiknayakanhalli	1903-04	15·4	16·0	15·8	15·4	.....
		1904-05	2·9	3·9	4·0	8·0	.....
4	Sira	1903-04	5·1	5·7	4·2	4·6	7·8
		1904-05	5·3	3·3	2·7	4·1	3·8
5	Gubbi	1903-04	11·2	12·2	10·3	9·7	14·2
		1904-05	4·2	3·0	2·0	4·0	8·0
6	Tiptur	1903-04	9·1	11·1	8·9	10·4	12·2
		1904-05	8·5	8·9	8·8	9·2	8·0
7	Pavagada	1903-04	7·2	8·5	7·2	5·2	.....
		1904-05	6 0	4·3	2·2	5·6	4·0
8	Kunigal	1903-04	9·4	8·8	7·2	.....	8·3
		1904-05	4·9	3·6	2·6	2·3	8·1
9	Turuvekere...	1903-04	10·5	11·3	9 9	10·8	10 8
		1904-05	6·6	6·8	5·3	.....	12·7
10	Koratagere	1903-04	11·2	12·5	8·9	8·5	16 0
		1904-05	7·8	7·1	4·4	5·1	8·2

12. It will be seen from what has been stated above that out of the total *dry* occupied area of about 931,941 acres 20 per cent lay *banjar* and about 30 per cent yielded less than a four-anna crop. Of the total *wet* occupied area of about 70,518 acres about 35 per cent lay *banjar* and 20 per cent yielded less than a four-anna crop. A less than four-anna crop wet or dry would scarcely pay the holder's cost of seed and labour and holders of lands with this yield were perhaps worse off than the holders of *banjar* who did not incur that cost. And so, on about half the holdings both dry and wet little or no crop was raised. Seeing that we had two bad years in succession, I would recommend for the consideration of Government a remission of half the assessment on tank-fed rice lands on which no wet crops were raised or what were raised were below a four-anna value. In a few places sugar-cane, too, failed and here also I would recommend the same concession. River or Talaparige channel fed lands and well-irrigated lands and lands which remained uncultivated owing to the owner's default are not contemplated here. Out of a holding of 70,518 acres wet with an assessment of about Rs. 3,01,699 it is estimated that about half the extent bearing proportionate assessment would come under the operation of the sanction now solicited. The half assessment for remission would come to about Rs. 88,000.

13. In regard to the *dry* lands: The harvest of this year has been already dealt with. A suspension of the last two khists in some cases and in some others of the last only may be desirable in the case of the *really* poor whose lands were either *banjar* or yielded less than a four-anna crop. The last two khists may be broken up into four or six instalments according to individual needs. If Government approve of this proposal I beg that their sanction may be communicated to me demi-officially.

14. No interference is needed in respect of the first two khists wet or dry."

(3) Note No. 26, dated the 6th April 1906, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, furnishing his opinion on the proposals made by the Deputy Commissioner in the above.

No. R. 14084-5 – Agri. 105-05-32, dated Bangalore, 1st May 1906.

Order thereon.—The report of the Deputy Commissioner read above deals exhaustively with the season prospects and the poor outturn of crops in the district. Out of a total holding of 70,518 acres of wet land in actual occupation with an assessment of about Rs. 3,01,699, nearly 35 per cent is stated to have remained waste and 20 per cent yielded less than a four-anna crop. The Deputy Commissioner recommends the remission of half the assessment on such lands involving about Rs. 88,000. The Revenue Commissioner is of opinion that the Tumkur District requires relief equally with Kolar, as the present situation there, as shown by the high prices prevailing due to scanty rainfall and poor outturn of crops, is in no way more favourable than that prevailing in the Kolar District, for which concessions have already been granted by Government. Under these circumstances, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to sanction, as an exceptional measure, the remission of half the assessment for 1905-06, in the case of such lands classed as "Rice" under tanks, as owing to the absence or failure of water-supply in the tanks either actually lay waste during both the seasons (Kartika and Vaisakha) of the year, or yielded a crop of four annas and under in either of those seasons.

2. As regards dry lands, it is reported that of 931,941 acres in holding about 20 per cent remained waste and about 30 per cent yielded less than a four-anna crop. The Deputy Commissioner thinks that an yield of less than a four-anna crop, wet or dry, would scarcely pay the holder's cost of seed and labour, and that holders of lands with this yield are worse off than those of banjar lands who do not incur any cost at all. He is of opinion therefore that a suspension of the last two khist in some cases and of the last only in some others, may be desirable in the case of the *really poor*, and proposes that the last two khists may be made payable in four or six instalments according to the exigencies of each individual's case. The Revenue Commissioner thinks that no general order notifying concessions need be passed, but that discretion may be given to the Deputy Commissioner to grant time "to a small minority really in need of such relief." Government do not consider it desirable to leave it to the District Officers to regulate the extent of time to be granted to meet individual requirements as this would practically mean leaving it to the discretion of the village officers. They are therefore pleased to direct that in the case of dry lands, the collection of khists in tracts which the Deputy Commissioner shall specify by a notification to be issued by him and to be ultimately published in the *Mysore Gazette*, may be made in four or six instalments according to the requirements of each tract, beginning from the 1st May 1906.

3. With regard to the working of the details and the course to be adopted in giving effect to the remission of assessment now sanctioned, the attention of the Deputy Commissioner is invited to the instructions contained in paras 6 and 7 of Government Order No. R. 10878-87—Agri. 22-05-35, dated the 19th February 1906, sanctioning remission of half assessment on rice lands in the Kolar District.

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To—The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District.

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REVENUE (AGRICULTURE)

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 1st May 1906

No. R. 14084-5
Agri. 101-05-32

Sanctions, as an exceptional measure, the remission of half the assessment for 1905-06 in the case of such lands in the Tumkur District, classed as "Rice" under tanks, as owing to the absence or failure of water-supply in the tanks either actually lay waste during both the seasons (Kartika and Vaisakha) of the year or yielded a crop of four annas and under in either of those seasons; and directs that in the case of dry lands, the collection of khists in certain tracts to be notified by the Deputy Commissioner be made in four or six instalments according to the requirements of each tract, beginning from 1st May 1906.

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